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SUBJECT: Belladonna Progress

TO : Chief of Mission

FROM : Kilkenny, through Athlone

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During recent trip of Source to Germany, the following progress has been made:

1. A conference with Chief SI, Anson and proper experts decided that Belladonna agents who go from Germany will be briefed constantly in Munich. First agent launched this week from Munich.

2. Close to Munich an area will be set up for permanent contact with Belladonna project people.

3. Other agents are available and ready at any time to proceed through Vienna and Bratislava. Source made preliminary arrangements, but for lack of time was unable to launch first agent through Austria.

4. Anson declared that it is of greatest interest to obtain all material which is currently in possession of Belladonna. Samples of material have been brought before the conference and accepted there. This material contains full descriptions of several "Rayons" (about 15 to 20 villages comprise 1 Rayon) in Soviet Ukraine. These entail administration, industries, roads, bridges, finances, cultural activities, etc. with exact and detailed findings, dated November, December 1945. Despite the date of information, Anson desired full translation of material, because of its great value.

5. Since Belladonna is the leadership and only center of the Ukrainian resistance, and the organizer of the Anti-Bolshevik Block of Nations (ABN), Source and SI/Anson were able to locate all material and names of subsidiary agencies. Hence a plan was devised for further and close cooperation with this center. In other words, the center of Ukrainian Resistance, the entire Ukrainian movement and ABN have been tapped.

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6. In addition to the continuous launching of agents from Munich and the material immediately available, Source is in process of selecting Belladonna data which was brought out by end of June 1946.

7. It is emphasized once more that because of the security problem inherent in the operation and the delicacy with which it must be handled, close collaboration with SCI/Arson must be maintained. Furthermore, no contacts with so-called Ukrainian resistance groups and ABN elements in Austria should be attempted independently, largely because of the danger in running into NKVD agents posing as dissident Ukrainians, etc. and also because Belladonna takes precedence over all others as the highest level of authority.

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